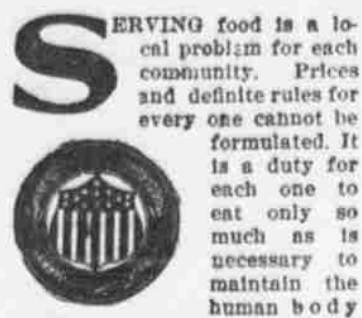


## This Is Our Winter of Test



**S**ERVING food is a local problem for each community. Prices and definite rules for every one cannot be formulated. It is a duty for each one to eat only so much as is necessary to maintain the human body healthy and strong. This winter of 1918 is the period when it is to be tested here in America whether our people are capable of voluntary individual sacrifice to save the world. That is the purpose of the organization of the United States Food Administration—by voluntary effort to provide the food that the world needs.

U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

## NEED BIG HERDS

Europe's Meat Supply Must Come From America.

Warring Nations Have Depleted Live Stock at Enormous Rate, Even Killing Dairy Cattle For Food.

American stock breeders are being asked to conserve their flocks and herds in order to meet Europe's tremendous demands for meats during the war and probably for many years afterward.

The United States food administration reports that American stock raisers have shown a disposition to co-operate with the government in increasing the nation's supply of live stock.

Germany today is probably better supplied with live stock than any other European nation. When the German armies made their big advance into France and then retreated virtually all the cattle in the invaded territory—approximately 1,800,000 head—were driven behind the German lines.

But in England—where 2,400,000 acres of pasture lands have been turned into grain fields—the cattle herds are decreasing rapidly. One of the reasons apparently is the declining maximum price scale adopted by the English as follows: For September, \$17.76 per 100 pounds; October, \$17.28; November and December, \$16.08; January, \$14.40. The effect of these prices was to drive beef animals on the market as soon as possible.

In France the number of cattle as well as the quality have shown an enormous decline during the war. Where France had 14,807,000 head of cattle in 1913, she now has only 12,341,900, a decrease of 16.6 per cent. And France is today producing only one gallon of milk compared to two and one-half gallons before the war.

Denmark and Holland have been forced to sacrifice dairy herds for beef because of the lack of necessary feed. Close study of the European meat situation has convinced the Food Administration that the future problem of America lies largely in the production of meat producing animals and dairy products rather than in the production of cereals for export when the war will have ceased.

## BRITISH GOVERNMENT HELPS PAY FOR BREAD

There has been much misunderstanding about the bread program in England. It is true that the Englishman buys a loaf of bread for less than an American can, but it is poorer bread, and the British government is paying \$200,000,000 a year toward the cost of it.

All the grain grown in Great Britain is taken over by the government at an arbitrary price and the imported wheat purchased on the markets at the prevailing market price. This is turned over to the mills by the government at a price that allows the adulterated war bread loaf of four pounds to sell at 18 cents, the two pound loaf at 9 cents and the one pound loaf at 5 cents.

In France, under conditions somewhat similar, but with a larger extraction, the four pound loaf sells for 16 cents.

## MAKING MEATLESS DAYS PERMANENT.

In the meatless menu there is a fertile field for developing new and nourishing dishes, according to E. H. Niles, writing in the Hotel Gazette, who believes that the present shortage of meat and fats will not end with the coming of peace, but may grow more acute and continue for five or six years, thus making it worth while to develop menus of grain, vegetables and fish on a more or less permanent basis. Meat can be replaced by cereals and other protein foods, or may be served in very small portions as a flavoring for other food. In making up meatless menus this author finds our American Creole and southern cuisine a broad field for investigation.

## CORN WILL WIN DEMOCRACY'S WAR

America's Greatest Cereal Crop Is Now Moving to Market.

MAINSTAY IN NATION'S CRISIS.

Surplus Wheat of the United States Has Been Sent to Famine Threatened Europe.

America's great corn crop, exceeding 3,000,000,000 bushels, will save the world's food situation, officials of the United States food administration believe.

Corn is the nation's best food cereal, housewives are beginning to realize. It contains all the elements needed to keep the body in a state of health and when used according to the scores of tried recipes, especially when combined with an added portion of oil or fat, will sustain life indefinitely. In Indian warriors in colonial days lived on parched corn alone for many days at a time, and at Valley Forge parched corn was at times the sole ration of the Continental soldiers.

Owing to transportation difficulties caused by the war the corn crop moved more slowly to market this year than ever before. Now, however, the cereal is reaching the millers and consumers. In the meantime the nation's surplus wheat has been sent to Europe.

Today there are approximately 30 bushels of corn for every American. This quantity is greater by five bushels than in former years.

Corn has become the nation's mainstay in the crisis of war.

Just as this cereal saved the first American colonists from famine on many occasions, just as it served as a staple food during the War of the Revolution and during the Civil War, King Corn has again come to the front in the nation's battle with autocracy.

Corn meal is finding greatly increased use in the making of ordinary white bread. Hundreds of housewives and many of the larger bakers are mixing 20 per cent. corn meal with wheat flour to make leavened bread. This kind of a mixture is worked and baked in the same recipes and with the same methods that apply to straight wheat bread.

Corn bread—using corn meal entirely—is gaining a greater popularity than ever before. Housewives are coming to realize that every pound of wheat saved in America means a pound of wheat released for shipment to the nations with which America is associated in the war.

There are a score of corn products that today possess unusual importance for Americans. Corn syrup for sweetening corn cakes and buckwheat cakes and for use in the kitchen instead of granulated sugar is one of the leading products made from corn.

Corn oil, excellent for frying and for every other purpose filled by salad oils, is appearing on the market in large quantities. It comes from the germ of the corn.

## MADE-IN-GERMANY LIES CIRCULATED IN CANADA

Canada is also having trouble with Made-in-Germany lies calculated to hinder Canadian food conservation according to an official statement received from the Canadian food controller by the United States food administration.

The stories bothering Canada are of the same general character as those the United States food administrator recently denounced in this country, such as the ridiculous salt and blueing famine fakes and the report that the government would seize housewives' stocks of home canned goods.

The Canadian food controller estimates that when the people listen to and pass on such stories, each one has the power of destruction that lies in a battalion of soldiers.

"Stories without even a vestige of foundation have been scattered broadcast," said the Canadian statement. "Nor have they come to life casually. They have started simultaneously in different parts of the country and in each instance have been calculated to arouse public indignation."

"They are insidious, subtle, persistent. Bit by bit they dissipate public trust, the great essential in the work of food control."

"It lies with every individual to forbear from criticism; to refrain from passing on the vagrant and harmful story, and thus the more effectively to co-operate in work which is going to mean more than the majority of people yet realize."

## THE UNITED STATES FOOD ADMINISTRATION SAYS:

There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its means. It is a matter of equality of burden; a matter of minute saving and substitution at every point in the 20,000,000 kitchens, on the 20,000,000 dinner tables, and in the 2,000,000 manufacturing, wholesale and retail establishments of the country.

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## Notice of Special Election

Notice is hereby given that at the November Term of the County Court of Audrain County, Missouri, held at Mexico, Missouri, on the twenty-fourth day of December, 1917, being the fourth day of said Term, a petition of R. Lee Alford and more than one hundred others of the qualified electors of said Audrain County praying for a special election to authorize the levy of an annual tax of not more than one-half of a mill on the dollar for the purpose of purchasing real estate for hospital purposes and for the construction of hospital buildings and for the maintenance of same, or for either or all of such purposes, was taken up and considered and the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

Order calling a special election to authorize the levying of a tax of not more than one-half of a mill on the dollar for the purpose of purchasing real estate and for the construction of hospital buildings and the maintenance of the same, or for either or all of such purposes.

IN THE MATTER OF A PETITION OF RESIDENT FREEHOLDERS FOR ESTABLISHING OF HOSPITAL IN THE CITY OF MEXICO.

Now at this day, December 24, 1917, the petition of R. Lee Alford and others for the establishment of a hospital in the City of Mexico, in Audrain County, Missouri, coming on for further consideration, the Court finds that on the 3rd day of December, 1917, there was filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court a petition of R. Lee Alford and more than one hundred other resident freeholders of said County, the text of which petition is as follows:

Petition for Hospital.

To the Honorable County Court of Audrain County, Missouri:

We, the undersigned one hundred and more petitioners, state that we, each and all are resident freeholders of Audrain County, Missouri, and that fifty of the signers of this petition are not residents of the City of Mexico in said County, in which said City it is proposed to locate a public hospital hereinafter mentioned, ask and petition said Honorable Court that an annual tax may be levied for the establishment and maintenance of a public hospital in the said City of Mexico in said Audrain County; and we specify in this, our petition, the sum of \$75,000 as the maximum amount of money proposed to be expended in purchasing or building said Hospital.

We further petition and ask that said Honorable Court submit the question to the qualified voters of Audrain County at a special election to be by said Court called for that purpose; first, giving ninety days notice of said election in one or more newspapers published in Audrain County, including in said notice the text of this petition and stating in said notice the amount of taxes to be levied upon the assessed property of Audrain County, which taxes your

petitioners ask shall not exceed one-half mill on the dollar, for a period of time not exceeding twenty years, and be for the issue of bonds to provide funds for the purchase of a site and the erection thereon of a public hospital and hospital buildings and for the support of the same, which said election your petitioners ask to be held at the usual voting places in said County of Audrain for voting upon county officers and that the vote thereat be canvassed in the same manner as the vote for the county officers is canvassed.

The Court, after further considering the said petition and after having been fully advised of and concerning the premises, doth find that said petition is signed by more than one hundred of the resident freeholders of Audrain County, and that more than fifty of said petitioners are not residents of the said City of Mexico.

It is therefore considered and ordered by the Court that a special election be held in Audrain County, Missouri, at the usual voting places in said County for voting for State and County officers, on the

Fifth Day of April, 1918,

and that there shall be submitted thereat to the qualified electors of said County of Audrain the question whether there shall be levied upon the assessed property of Audrain County a tax of one-half of one mill on the One Dollar for the purchase of real estate for hospital purposes and for the construction of hospital buildings, and for maintenance of same; and that the Clerk of this Court cause to be given ninety (90) days' notice of said election by publication in the Mexico Missouri Message a certified copy of this order of Court as and for the said notice.

Now therefore in pursuance to said above order the Court does hereby order that on April fifth, 1918, an election be held at the usual voting places in Audrain County, Missouri, for County officers, to vote on the proposition to levy a tax of one-half mill on the one dollar for purchasing real estate for hospital purposes and for the construction of hospital buildings and for the maintenance of same, or for either or all of such purposes.

ALEX CARTER, P. J.,  
STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Audrain, ss. I, Ross B. Cauthorn, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true copy of the proceedings of our said County Court, on the day and year above written, as the same appears of record in my office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, at office in Mexico, this 24th day of December, 1917.

(SEAL)  
R. B. CAUTHORN,  
Clerk County Court.

## Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of J. W. Settle, deceased, that the undersigned, executor of said estate, intends to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court, in the County of Audrain, State of Missouri, to be held at the Court House, in the City of Mexico, in said county, on the second Monday in February, 1918.

WOODFORD F. SETTLE,  
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First publication, Jan. 17, 1918.

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Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of Elias P. Burns, deceased, that the undersigned, executor of said estate, intends to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court, in the County of Audrain, State of Missouri, to be held at the Court House, in the City of Mexico, in said county, on the second Monday in February, 1918.

M. B. PAIGE,  
Executor.  
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## Notice of Sale under Deed of Trust.

Whereas W. H. Upham and Ida M. Upham, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated February 2, 1915, duly acknowledged and recorded in the trust deed records within and for the county of Audrain a part of the County of Missouri, in trust deed record book 41 at page 319, conveyed to the undersigned trustee the following described real estate lying and being situated in the City of Mexico, in the County of Audrain and State of Missouri, to-wit:

A part of the Northeast one-fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 26, Township 51, Range 9 West, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Begin at an iron pin 120 feet north of the intersection of the north line of Love Street with the East line of Wade Street; run 164 feet north to a concrete stone; thence East 150 feet to a rock; thence south 164 feet; thence west 150 feet to the point of beginning, being otherwise known as the north part of Lot Seven (7) in said survey No. 45 in the City of Mexico, Missouri.

Which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of one certain negotiable promissory note, together with interest thereon and in said deed of trust fully described, and,

Whereas, the legal owner and holder of said promissory note for a valuable consideration on June 2nd, 1916, did release from the lien of said deed of trust the north half of the land conveyed by said deed of trust, but did not release in any way the south half of said land, and

Whereas, said promissory note so secured by said deed of trust is past due and remains unpaid. Now, therefore, the undersigned trustee in said deed of trust named, at the request of the holder of said promissory note, will on

SATURDAY, the 23rd Day of February, 1918,

between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. of that day proceed to sell the south half of the real estate above described and conveyed by said deed of trust, to-wit:

A part of the northeast fourth of the northwest quarter of Section 26, Township 51, Range 9 West, bounded and described as follows: Begin at an iron pin 120 feet north of the intersection of the north line of Love Street with the east line of Wade Street, run 88 feet north; thence East 150 feet; thence South 88 feet; thence West 150 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of Lot Seven (7), in City Survey No. 45 in the City of Mexico, Missouri, at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the Court House in Mexico, Missouri, FOR CASH, to pay said debt, interest and the costs and expenses of executing this trust.

E. R. LOCKE, Trustee.  
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